

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend paragraph [015] of the specification as follows:

Referring initially to Figure 1, a rudder position indicator apparatus 10 is illustrated in accordance with an aspect of the present invention. The rudder position indicator apparatus 10 includes a cam 12 coupled to a steering linkage bar 14 of a watercraft 5 (Figure 8). The steering linkage bar 14 is connected to at least one rudder 7 (Figure 8) or outdrive unit (not shown) of the watercraft 5. As illustrated in Figure 8, the rudder 7 is a conventional rudder as known to those skilled in the art of watercrafts, and comprises a non-motorized inboard vertical blade that is pivotable about a vertical axis thereof to facilitate steering of the watercraft. The steering linkage bar 14 is controlled by mechanical components such as cables and/or hydraulic actuators which transmit steering commands from a steering wheel or helm to move the steering linkage bar 14 left or right along its longitudinal axis, or in other words, via a translational movement, thereby moving the rudder(s) left or right.